



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

# EcoNewsWire

## Environmental Services

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## EPC to meet at Three Mile Lake April 17

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AFTON—The Iowa Environmental Protection Commission will meet April 17 at Three Mile Lake Lodge about two miles north of Afton.

Preceding the business meeting, commissioners and the public may tour several sites in Union County which highlight small communities successes and challenges. Attendees must pre-register for the April 16 tours by contacting Jerah Sheets at [Jerah.Sheets@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Jerah.Sheets@dnr.iowa.gov) or calling 515-313-8909 by April 12.

On April 17, an overview of state rulemaking will begin at 8:30 before the business meeting starts at 10 a.m. The meeting is open to the public with an opportunity for public comment after the monthly reports.

At the top of the agenda, commissioners will receive an update on the new electronic manure management plan application. Also on the agenda, DNR will ask commissioners to approve two contracts and amendments to wastewater discharge permits.

At 11 a.m. commissioners will hear Buena Vista County's demand for a hearing on a construction permit application for two swine finishing confinement buildings.

The complete agenda follows:

Approval of Agenda

Approval of the Minutes

Monthly Reports

Public Participation

Director's Remarks

Update for the new Electronic Manure Management (eMMP)  
System [www.iowadnr.gov/emmp](http://www.iowadnr.gov/emmp)

Adopted and Filed – Amendments to Chapter 64 to include NPDES General Permits 8 and 9

Contract - Beaver Creek WMA Planning Grant

Solid Waste Alternatives Program – Contract Recommendation

Demand for Hearing – Buena Vista County

General Discussion

Items for Next Month's Meeting

- May 15 – EPC Business Meeting – Iowa State Capitol
- June 19 – EPC Business Meeting – Iowa State Capitol

The complete [agenda and item briefs](#) are available on the DNR website.

Commissioners include: Ralph Lents, Menlo, chair; Joe Riding, Altoona, vice chair; Nancy Couser, Nevada; Mary Boote, Des Moines; Howard Hill, Cambridge; Harold Hommes, Windsor Heights; Barbara Hovland, Mason City; Rebecca Guinn, Bettendorf; and Bob Sinclair, Sigourney. Chuck Gipp is the director of the DNR.

## DNR enforcement actions

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DES MOINES – DNR staff work with individuals, businesses and communities to help them protect our natural resources by complying with state and federal laws. This approach is very effective. In the few cases where compliance cannot be achieved, the DNR issues enforcement actions. The following list summarizes recent enforcement actions. Find the entire, original orders on DNR's website at [www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions](http://www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions)

### Consent Orders

A consent order is issued as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

#### Dubuque County

James and Joseph Schieltz

Cease operations of open feedlot, remove all manure from the feedlot, pay fish restitution and investigative costs of \$2,047 and an administrative penalty of \$2,000

### Administrative Orders

Responsible parties have 30 days to appeal the order or 60 days to pay the penalty.

**Sioux County**

Todd Van Middendorp

Comply with manure application and manure management plan requirements and pay \$5,000 penalty

**Johnson County**

Global Masters Investment LLC, dba Johnson's Dry Cleaners

Comply with air quality requirements for dry cleaners and pay \$10,000 penalty